Annotated Code of Maryland (1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Financial Institutions

Section 6-507 6-501, 6-506, 6-507, and 6-510

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(1992 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article Financial Institutions

Section 6-512

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Commercial Law

12-115.

- (a) With respect to any loan made at a rate of interest pursuant to Sections 12-103 (a) and (c) or 12-306 of the Commercial Law Article [or Section 6-507 of the Financial Institutions Article]:
- (1) A lender may repossess goods securing a loan under an agreement if the borrower is in default in:
 - (i) The payment of any sum due under the agreement;
- (ii) The performance of any other condition which the agreement lawfully requires him to perform in order to obtain unencumbered title to the goods; or
- (iii) The performance of any promise the breach of which is expressly made a ground for repossessing the goods.
 - (2) The lender may repossess goods only by:
 - (i) Legal process; or
 - (ii) Self-help, without use of force.
 - (b) Nothing in this section authorizes a violation of criminal law.
- (c) (1) At least 10 days before he repossesses any goods, a lender may serve a written notice on the borrower of his intention to repossess the goods.
 - (2) The notice shall:
- (i) State the default and any period at the end of which the goods will be repossessed; and